

M-STEP FACT SHEET

2015-2016 and Beyond



- Michigan’s future assessment system will continue to be called M-STEP or the Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress assessment system.
- M-STEP will be aligned to state education standards and will continue to be administered online each spring.
 - A paper/pencil option will be available for those students who are unable to take an online assessment and those schools who receive an approved waiver due to not being technologically ready.
- Assessment components include Michigan-educator developed science, social studies and English language arts (ELA) components, as well as, ELA and mathematics content developed by the multi-state Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium.
- M-STEP will provide educators, parents, and students deeper more meaningful assessment information to guide student learning.
- Below is a chart from the Request for Proposal outlining grades and subjects to be tested:

M-STEP Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress 2015-2016 and Beyond		
Assessment	Delivery Mode	Content and Grades
M-STEP –Summative General Assessment	Online and Paper-Pencil	English Language Arts (ELA): 3-11 Mathematics: 3-11 Science: 4, 7, and 11 Social Studies: 5, 8, and 11
Summative Alternate – Functional Independence (FI) for students with mild cognitive impairment	Online and Paper-Pencil	Mathematics: 3-11 Accessing Print: 3-11 Science: 4, 7, and 11 Social Studies: 5,8, and 11
Summative Alternate - Functional Independence (FI)	Paper-Pencil	Expressing Ideas: 3-11
Summative Alternate - Participation (P)/Supported Independence (SI) for students with moderate cognitive impairment	The assessment is delivered via paper (picture cards). Responses are captured and scored via online mode.	Mathematics: 3-11 ELA: 3-11 Science: 4, 7, and 11

Note: This contract does not include the administration of either a college entrance or work skills assessments given free to juniors each year that was recently awarded.